

**ORIGINAL****RESERVATION TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE**

February 25, 2003

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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE
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Washington, DC 20002

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Attention: Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau

RE: CC Docket No. 00-257

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Federal Communications Commission Rule Section 64.1120(e), Reservation Telephone Cooperative (RTC) hereby notifies the Commission that effective April 1, 2003, RTC will acquire the Alexander and Watford City, North Dakota exchanges from Citizens Telecommunications Company of North Dakota (Citizens) and the affected subscriber base will be transferred at that time to RTC. As a result of the acquisition, basic local service will be provided by RTC and intrastate and interstate toll services will be provided by RTC's long distance affiliate to the affected subscribers.

RTC hereby certifies that it has complied with the Commission's requirements to provide advance subscriber notice in accordance with Section 64.1120(e)(3), with the obligations specified in that notice, and with other statutory and Commission requirements that apply to this streamlined process.

A copy of the notice sent to the affected subscribers is attached hereto

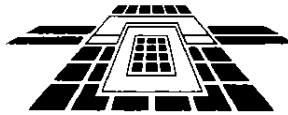
Sincerely,

Reservation Telephone Cooperative

Royce S. Aslakson, General Manager

Attachment

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RESERVATION TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE

February 20, 2003

Dear Valued Customer:

Welcome to Reservation Telephone Cooperative (RTC)!

Reservation Telephone Cooperative (RTC) has reached an agreement to buy the facilities serving Alexander (area code 701 prefix 828) and Watford City (area code 701 prefix 842) from Citizens Telecommunications Company of North Dakota (Frontier). As a result of this sale, RTC will provide local basic telephone service to you and others in your community who were previously served by Citizens, effective April 1, 2003.

In addition, if you currently subscribe to in-state and state-to-state toll service from Frontier, your toll services will be switched to North Dakota Long Distance (NDLD), an affiliate of RTC, unless you request otherwise. The toll services of subscribers who currently do not subscribe to Frontier's toll services will not be affected.

You have the right to select a different preferred carrier for local basic, in-state toll and state-to-state toll services, if an alternative carrier is available. All subscribers receiving this notice, even those who have arranged preferred carrier freezes through Frontier on the services involved in the sale, will be transferred to RTC as indicated above, unless they have selected a different carrier before the transfer date. In addition, existing preferred carrier freezes on the services involved in the sale will be lifted and you must contact RTC to arrange a new freeze.

RTC will be responsible for any carrier change charges associated with the sale. There is no charge to you for the switch in service from Frontier to RTC.

RTC is confident you will be pleased with the services we offer. There will be no change in basic local service rates. If a change should occur regarding basic local service rates, terms or conditions you will be notified in writing via the U.S. Postal Service and our monthly customer newsletter, *The Dialtone*. If your in-state and/or out-of-state long distance carrier becomes NDLD, you will be notified about changes in the NDLD rates, terms or conditions of service via bill inserts, RTC's monthly company newsletter, and on NDLD's website, <http://www.ndld.com>.

As your new local service provider, RTC will be responsible for all service requests beginning April 1, 2003. For any complaints arising before April 1, 2003 you should contact Frontier. If you have any questions about this notice or your service, please contact our Customer Service Representatives at (888) 862-3115.

Sincerely,

Royce S. Aslakson
General Manager

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